MD Legislative Testimony

SB0001 WEARING CARRING OR TRANSPORTING FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS

My name is William Turner. I live in Cambridge, MD. I am opposed to this bill because more limitations imposed on legal gun owners will do nothing to deter crime.

Concealed carry permit holders are the most law abiding of gun owners. They have undergone hours of training, been fingerprinted and have undergone a stringent background check.

This proposed Bill will not stop crime. All these "feel good" laws that many governments pass now only restrict the law abiding citizens who are not committing the crimes. The criminals are not affected by them. The criminals are smart enough to work around them. The criminals are not worried about braking a concealed carry violation when they don't have a concealed carry license anyway and are already in violation of the law by carrying a firearm. The criminals won't care about violating this proposed Bill when they are dealing drugs or committing robberies, rapes and murders.

This Bill helps criminals because it would make it safer and easier for them to commit crimes, because criminals could be fairly sure no legal gun owner is carrying a firearm.